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Amendments to the Abstract:

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a deformable endoscope that has one or more light/image transmission passages and in which at least one additional instrument is provided, wherein the unit of endoscope and additional instrument has a non-round cross-section along a longitudinal section (insertion section) to be inserted into a human or animal body orifice. The light/image transmission passage or the plurality of light/image transmission passages form — in particular together with at least one work passage — a closed unit (fibroscope fiberscope part) which can be separated from the additional instrument. The fibroscope fiberscope part and the additional instrument can be displaced relatively relative to one another along their longitudinal directions. A holding unit is provided for the holding and/or guiding of the fibroscope fiberscope part and the additional instrument relative to one another.

